

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0018] with the following amended version of that paragraph:

[0018] Kugler et al. U.S. patent application ~~10/612,496, filed July 1, 2003,~~ 7,445,010 shows implanting magnetic objects in a patient to treat various conditions such as GERD (gastro-esophageal reflux disease). Many of principles discussed in that reference (which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety, and which is sometimes referred to below as "the above-mentioned reference") are applicable to the present invention. It will not be necessary to expressly repeat herein everything from the above-mentioned reference that is applicable to the present invention. It will be sufficient to expressly provide herein a few representative examples of what can be done and what methods and apparatus can be used, and it will be understood that many other method and apparatus variations are possible, such as those that are shown and described in the above-mentioned reference. Also, some aspects and details of the construction and use of what is shown herein can be omitted from the present discussion because that information is readily found in the above-mentioned reference.

Please replace paragraph [0029] with the following amended version of that paragraph:

[0029] It is additionally mentioned here that a U.S. provisional patent application (Kugler et al. application ~~60/~~60/547,200, filed February 23, 2004 ~~(Attorney Docket 787/008 PROV.)~~) has

been filed on medicating implants of the general type shown herein. The teachings contained in that provisional patent application (which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety) can be applied in the context of this invention if desired.